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## CURRENT TOPICS.

The czar of all the Russias has the measles. Counterfeit silver dollars are in circulation. The weather wisecracks foretell an unusually stormy November.

Know your tongue off your lip and your lip won't be a doctor. Americans are beginning to command a large sale in England.

The czar can bend a silver dollar double with his thumb and forefinger. Maliterra, ex-king of Samoa, was carried off on a German mail of war.

There are about 2,500,000 umbrellas and parasols sold in this country every year. An East Saginaw man has a dog that can turn somersaults as well as an acrobat.

It is discovered that a school teacher near Montreal can neither read nor write. The Daily Star lamp for English coal-mines has been officially condemned at last.

Bureaus for furnishing legal advice free to the poor is the latest thing in New York. Because Europe is cramped as to population is no reason why she should give us the cholera.

An Iowa physician reports to the board of health the death of a child from "colony and phantoms." Commodore Josiah B. Hunt is the oldest officer in the American navy. He was appointed in 1818.

The entire revenue of the postmaster at Brownsville, Kan., last year amounted to only fifty-five cents. Sixteen children of Illinois, favored Governmental control of the telegraph system of the United States.

If you don't know which side your bread is buttered on, drop it; you'll find out in skimming off the trash. And the 10,000,000 of the world are said to number 100,000, representing a total of 3,000,000 horse power.

Twins ninety years of age are the pride of West Dedham, Mass. They are the daughters of Isaac Colburn. A pair of Siberian kittens belonging to R. T. Wilson, of East Nottingham, Pa., have each a gray and a blue eye.

An advertisement wanted, a man for office work, in a New York paper brought 400 answers in twenty-four hours. The Baltimore husband is not responsible for the wife's debts. This appears that the husband and wife are footed.

In addition to being a land of the free, America now has the blessed privilege of fumigating the oppressed of the earth. An adze of pure copper, and weighing four and one-half pounds, was recently found in a mound near Nashville, Wis.

The Prince of Wales is a splendid performer on the banjo. No wonder the English sing with such fervor, "God save the Queen." Montana paid during the present year in bounties for the killing of squirrels, weasels, prairie dogs, bears and coyotes, \$96,025.10.

Reuben B. Anthony is making a thorough canvass of Kansas in the interest of western suffrage, speaking at all the principal towns. American mill machinery is generally regarded as superior to that of England, on the ground of its greater lightness and durability.

The friends of President Diaz, of Mexico, propose to present him with a massive, 11-braced table of solid silver on his approaching birthday. Maxwell, the St. Louis murderer, is doing a thriving business. It is reported that he sold \$170 worth of his photographs in three days.

The Boston girls have taken to fiddling. It is reported that these crafty young women may get a good many young men on their strings. Minneapolis printers secured an advance in compensation which took effect November 1. The employees think it a typographical error.

Five country ships to Europe every year 100,000 barrels of oysters. The daily consumption in New York alone is thought to be 10,000,000 of the bivalves. In ten years' time the percentage of water power employed in this country fell from 45 to 35 per cent, thus showing the advance in the use of steam.

Centers, Vancou and the Prince of Wales are the only ones in the future to be given special steamers between England and the Continent at the cost of the State. Prof. Eliza Gray has invented what he calls "the telegraph," which will transmit "facsimile" autographs to any distance over ordinary telegraph wires.

Louisa Huxley is the name of the coming planet. She is an American girl of unusual beauty, and can disconcert many of the foreign talent that visit this country. Life in Cuba has its drawbacks. Thirty-three earthquakes shook in one month, with an occasional tidal wave, and the people from the coasts are not attractive features.

The army of the United States contains 2,102 officers and 32,946 men. It costs from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 annually, including all the expenses of forts, arms, equipments, etc. The lieutenants of Paris, claims to cure hydrophobia by hot baths often repeated. He makes the patient remain continually in a hot room, and the baths are made as hot as 140 degrees.

Another suit has been instituted to break Mrs. A. T. Stewart's will. By the time her relatives and the lawyers get through with the estate, there will be very little left to fight for. A Culebra duu collects bills by pretending to be deaf, and when his debtor explains why he does not pay, the duu makes him yell his explanation so that it can be heard by everybody within long range earshot.

Europe spends the enormous sum of \$8,000,000,000 every year on armies and flags, and the national debts incurred by war aggregate \$24,110,000,000. No wonder that the treasure-house of that way are never troubled with a surplus. While repairing an old log-house near Danbar camp, Fayette County, Pa., John Robcock found a well-preserved oak box, which, when opened, was found to contain \$1,200 in gold and silver.

A constable of Tyrone, Pa., is enforcing an ordinance of that borough, requiring all boys to be at their homes not later than 8 p.m. Some youths have been put into the lock-up for not complying with the law. The Princess Olympia Baristinski is a trusted agent of the czar. She is now in Berlin on a confidential mission to Emperor William. The czar evidently believes that a woman can keep a secret.

## BOMBS.

### A Startling Find in Anarchist Ling's Cell.

The Condemned Man Prepared to Cheat the Gallows and Carry His Fellow Prisoners to Destruction With Him.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—The sequel of the apparent quiet at the Cook County jail today develops in a tremendous sensation to-night. Four bombs have been found in the cell of Ling. Soon after the decision of the United States Supreme Court adverse to the Anarchists was made, Sheriff Matson decided to make a thorough search of the cells on the Sunday previous to the execution. Today, in accordance with the decision, the search was made. First, orders were issued denying admission to the jail of all except the sheriff's officers. This included even newspaper reporters. The sheriff, then, at two o'clock, directed the jail officers to go to the cell of Ling first and bring him to the cage on the lower floor. When the cell was reached Ling had nothing on but his underclothing. "Advised that he was wanted before he began to leave to put on his outer apparel. Being denied this request, he became like a demon, and by brute force and after most effective resistance he was landed below. At every step he fought the officers, and when finally overpowered he was like a bull at bay. The strange resistance of Ling suggested to the jail officials and the sheriff as well that something must be wrong. Without disturbing for the nonce any of his associates, his cell was thoroughly searched. First, all the bedding was overturned, but with only a few scraps of paper. Then the outer clothing, but still nothing was disclosed. Then the search extended under the jail cot. Here was found an ordinary cigar-box. Opened, something was found to be wrapped up in a copy of the *Arbeiter-Zeitung* newspaper, an organ of Anarchist tendencies. The paper was tenderly unfolded when three mysterious pieces of gaspette, cut several inches in length, were found. Under the head of the cot, without covering of any kind, was found a fourth. When these contraband of death's suggestions were handed the sheriff in Ling's presence he turned ashen pale and became livid with rage. He talked in his German tongue wildly, and but for his pained arms would have gesticulated madly. With such an astounding result as the fruit of the search, the first cell, all of the cells of the other dormitory were also searched. High and low the officers scoured, crannies and nooks were peered into, but nothing more was found. Then there was a minute examination of the bed in Ling's cell. The every look disclosed that each piece of paper was closed at both ends, and at each end what upon the superficial examination appeared to be a nap to ignite what may have been an explosive material within.

With only this examination, on the part of the sheriff's officers, the machine was turned over to some one whose identity at this hour the sheriff will not disclose. They are, however, being carefully and critically examined.

## CANADA'S DANGER.

### Growing Out of the Appointment of Mr. Chamberlain on the Fish Commission.

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 4.—The *Globe* today, in an editorial article headed "A Perilous Situation," says: "To appreciate rightly the risks in which Mr. Chamberlain has involved Canada, one must carefully consider the international correspondence relating to the fisheries dispute."

The *Globe* then reviews at length the results of over two years' discussion between the British, American and Canadian Governments, and continues: "The least or most conciliatory demand of the United States Government is that for a settlement, by Mr. Bayard, dated the 15th of November, 1886, and there is not a particle of evidence that the United States has receded one jot from that demand. If the Commissioners are to discuss the fisheries question separately, the alternative to the acceptance of Mr. Bayard's proposals is a state of non-intercourse, commercial reprisals, and probably war. The case is one in which the United States is in a position to force, if it so chooses, a large loss of trade, a large expenditure of money and the shedding of British blood, but not invasion. Canada has every thing to fear, for here would be the battle ground, ours would be the main cost, and our young men would furnish the bulk of the meat for the cannon crew. Fortunately there is a perfectly honorable method of settling the fisheries dispute—one highly profitable in the bargain. It is suggested by the true Canadian, Mr. Wilmot, and proposed to the American Congress by Mr. Butterworth. It has been approved by the best elements in the United States and in Canada, that is a settlement by unrestricted reciprocity."

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## WILD ANIMALS AT LARGE.

### Accident to John Robinson's Circus Train in St. Louis.

One Man Killed and Two Others Badly Hurt—Escape of Several Frenzied Beasts Much Excitement.

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